	Application No.	Applicant(s)
Examiner-Initiated Interview Summary	10/603,986	HASEGAWA ET AL.
	Examiner	Art Unit
	Kevin M Bernatz	1773

All Participants:

(1) *Kevin M Bernatz*.

(2) *Anthony Curtis*.

Status of Application: _____

(3) _____.

(4) _____.

Date of Interview: *17 March 2005*

Time: *AM*

Type of Interview:
☒ Telephonic
☐ Video Conference
☐ Personal (Copy given to: ☐ Applicant ☐ Applicant's representative)

Exhibit Shown or Demonstrated: ☐ Yes ☒ No
If Yes, provide a brief description: .

Part I.

Rejection(s) discussed:
all

Claims discussed:
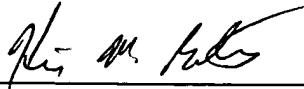*all*

Prior art documents discussed:
N/A

Part II.

SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW DESCRIBING THE GENERAL NATURE OF WHAT WAS DISCUSSED:
See Continuation Sheet

Part III.

☒ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview directly resulted in the allowance of the application. The examiner will provide a written summary of the substance of the interview in the Notice of Allowability.
☐ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview did not result in resolution of all issues. A brief summary by the examiner appears in Part II above.

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(Examiner/SPE Signature)

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(Applicant/Applicant's Representative Signature – if appropriate)

Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was discussed: the Examiner indicated that the prior art of record still appeared to read on the claimed invention since Ta, while a metal layer, was known in the magnetic sensing element art as an insulating (or low conductivity) material. The Examiner provided references illustrating this and noted that incorporation of the subject matter of claim 7 into the independent claims, as well as addressing a minor 112 issue in claim 28 would bring the case into condition for allowance. Applicants agreed to the proposed changes..